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MEMORANDUM FOR DR. KISSINGER

FROM: THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: MORNING NEWS SUMMARY

THE WASHINGTON POST

A PICTURE OF YOU, MAO TSE TUNG AND CHOU EN-LAI IS FEATURED  
ON PAGE ONE.

JOHN BURNS COMMENTS THAT DIPLOMATS IN PEKING ARE REASSESSING  
THEIR MODEST PREDICTIONS ON THE OUTCOME OF YOUR VISIT IN THE  
WAKE OF YOUR MEETING WITH MAO. THE MEETING WAS TAKEN BY MANY  
DIPLOMATS AS A SIGN THAT CHINA IS PREPARED TO MOVE TOWARD  
NORMAL RELATIONS WITH THE U.S. FASTER THAN MOST ANALYSTS HAVE  
PREDICTED. A COMMONLY HELD VIEW IS THAT YOU AND CHINESE  
LEADERS HAVE AGREED ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A U.S. OFFICE  
IN PEKING, THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE BULK OF U.S. FORCES FROM  
TAIWAN, AND THE RELEASE OF TWO U.S. PILOTS HELD IN CHINESE  
PRISONS. (PAGE A 1)

JIM HOAGLAND NOTES THAT SADAT IS SENDING HAFEZ ISMAIL TO  
WASHINGTON FRIDAY IN WHAT APPEARS TO BE A DRAMATIC SHIFT IN  
POSTURE TOWARD NEW MIDDLE EAST PEACE EXPLORATIONS. INFORMED  
EGYPTIAN SOURCES SAY SADAT'S DECISION TO SEND ISMAIL TO WASH-  
INGTON WAS MADE FRIDAY AFTER HE READ THE TEXT OF SECRETARY  
ROGERS' STATEMENT THE PREVIOUS DAY SAYING THE U.S. WOULD WEL-  
COME A VISIT FROM HIGH-RANKING EGYPTIANS AND WOULD RECIPROCATE.  
ISMAIL IS TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT NIXON AND SECRETARY ROGERS  
WHILE IN WASHINGTON. (PAGE A 1)

LAWRENCE STERN REPORTS THAT THE FIRST PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO  
THE CLANDESTINE POLITICAL OPERATIONS OF ITT AGAINST THE ALLENDE  
GOVERNMENT WILL UNFOLD NEXT MONTH ON CAPITOL HILL. (PAGE A 1)

AN EDITORIAL DISCUSSES THE LACK OF A CEASE-FIRE IN LAOS AND  
CAMBODIA AND CALLS FOR THE 12-NATION CONFERENCE IN PARIS TO  
CONCERN ITSELF WITH LAOS AND CAMBODIA AS WELL AS VIETNAM. BOTH  
HANOI AND WASHINGTON HAVE SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARD THE  
COUNTRIES. THE ITEM CONCLUDES THAT IT IS UNFORGIVEABLE ANY  
LONGER TO REGARD LAOS AND CAMBODIA AS PEOPLELESS POWERS IN  
SOMEBODY ELSE'S POWER POLITICS. (PAGE A 14)

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EVANS AND NOVAK CONCLUDE THAT ALTHOUGH YOUR VISIT TO CHINA MAY SWEETEN RELATIONS BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND PEKING, IT CARRIES WITH IT AN OMINOUS RISK. ALWAYS SUSPICIOUS MOSCOW MAY READ FAR TOO MUCH INTO THE NEW U.S.-PRC TALKS. THUS, WHILE THE WASHINGTON ROLE OF TOP-DOG IN THE TRIANGULAR WORLD POLITICS CARRIES POWERFUL ASSETS, IT ALSO CARRIES RISKS THAT CANNOT BE MATHEMATICALLY CALCULATED. IF MOSCOW SHOULD ONE DAY DECIDE PEKING IS GETTING TOO MUCH OUT OF WASHINGTON, THE KREMLIN WON'T STOP IN AT THE WHITE HOUSE BEFORE ACTING AGAINST CHINA. (PAGE A 15)

#### THE NEW YORK TIMES

EGYPTIAN NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISER ISMAIL FLEW TO LONDON YESTERDAY FOR TALKS WITH PRIME MINISTER HEATH. HE IS TO FLY TO WASHINGTON THURSDAY WHERE HE WILL CONFER WITH THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY ROGERS.

EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MOHAMMED EL ZAYYAT WILL FLY TO PEKING LATER THIS MONTH AS PART OF A WORLDWIDE DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN. DR. AAYYAT'S VISIT TO PEKING WILL BE A SUBSTITUTE FOR A CAIRO VISIT BY THE CHINESE FOREIGN MINISTER WHICH WAS TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE DURING FEBRUARY, BUT WHICH WAS CANCELLED DUE TO THE VIET-NAM SITUATION. (A 1)

BASING ITS REPORTING ON REUTERS DISPATCHES, THE TIMES COVERS YOUR MEETINGS YESTERDAY WITH CHOU EN-LAI AND MAO. A PICTURE OF YOU WITH MAO AND CHOU EN-LAI APPEARS ON PAGE 2. WESTERN DIPLOMATS IN PEKING BELIEVE THERE HAS BEEN A MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH IN CHINESE-AMERICAN RELATIONS DURING YOUR VISIT. THIS BELIEF IS FURTHER SUPPORTED BY THE LONG LENGTH OF YOUR MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN MAO. DIPLOMATS SAID THAT SOME FORM OF OFFICIAL AMERICAN PRESENCE IN PEKING IS LIKELY BEFORE THE END OF THIS YEAR. (A 1)

THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY A SERIES OF TAX INCREASES AND A SHARPLY TRIMMED BUDGET, AND SAID THAT BOTH MEASURES WERE AIMED AT CURBING INFLATIONARY PRICES. CITIZENS WITH INCOMES OVER \$30,000 WILL HAVE TO PAY A 10 PERCENT TAX SURCHARGE, RESULTING IN NEARLY \$1 BILLION IN REVENUES. (A 1)

#### THE BALTIMORE SUN

AN ANALYSIS BY ARNOLD ISAACS DISCUSSES THE PROBLEM BEING ENCOUNTERED IN ATTEMPTING TO RESTORE PEACE IN LAOS. AGREEMENT IS EXPECTED BEFORE THE FEBRUARY 26 OPENING OF THE INTERNATIONAL VIETNAM PEACE CONFERENCE IN PARIS, ALTHOUGH BOTH SIDES ARE REPORTED TO HAVE HARDENED THEIR POSITIONS. PRINCE SOUVANNA PHOUMA IS BELIEVED TO BE FACING RESISTANCE FROM RIGHT-WING MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT WHO ARE BALKING AT ANY FURTHER CONCESSIONS TO THE COMMUNISTS. (A 1)

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A REPORT FROM CBS TAKEN FROM "60 MINUTES" YESTERDAY STATES THAT A NAVY-TRAINED DOLPHIN HAS BEEN USED TO PLACE A DETECTION DEVICE IN A FOREIGN HARBOR TO FIND OUT WHAT KIND OF ATOMIC FUEL THE RUSSIANS ARE USING IN THEIR NUCLEAR SUBMARINES. SUCH OPERATIONS ARE PART OF THE NAVY'S "BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS SYSTEM" OF TRAINED DOLPHINS, WHALES AND SEA LIONS. (A 1)

A SHORT REPORT OF YOUR MEETINGS WITH CHOU EN-LAI AND MAO ARE COVERED ON PAGE 2, FOLLOWED BY SEGMENTS OF RON ZIEGLER'S STATEMENTS ON THE TALKS.

CHINA AND NORTH VIETNAM WERE REPORTED YESTERDAY TO BE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO MAKING THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL PERMANENT CHAIRMAN OF THE VIETNAM PEACE CONFERENCE. YOU WERE REPORTEDLY GIVEN THIS INFORMATION LAST WEEK DURING YOUR TALKS IN HANOI. NO REASON FOR SUCH OPPOSITION IS DISCUSSED IN THE ARTICLE. (A 2)

SENATOR FULBRIGHT SAID YESTERDAY THAT HE WOULD SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSAL TO REBUILD NORTH VIETNAM IF THE PRESIDENT WOULD AGREE TO CUT BACK ON MILITARY SPENDING ABROAD. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HE WOULD NOT SUPPORT THE PROPOSAL IF THE U.S. CONTRIBUTED THE AID DIRECTLY. HE FAVORS, INSTEAD, A MULTI-LATERAL APPROACH IN WHICH THE AID WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE UN FOR USE IN VIETNAM. (A 1)

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